



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Director of Health Services

At its meeting held November 16, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

The Director of Health Services' recommendation to award and instruct the Director to sign agreement with Field Research Corporation for the purpose of conducting the 2005 and 2007 Los Angeles County Health Survey (LACHS), to collect information about health status, behavioral risk factors, access to and utilization of primary health care and preventive health services, contingent upon funding from grant sources, with maximum contract obligation not to exceed \$1,999,904; and authorize the Director to take the following related actions:

Accept and sign grant agreement with First 5 LA, to provide funding to support the 2005 LACHS, in amount of \$300,000.00 in exchange for the collection analysis and dissemination of data specific to children ages 0-5 and their families, effective November 1, 2004 through October 31, 2006; and

Accept and sign future grant agreement with First 5 LA, to provide funding to support the 2007 LACHS, in amount of \$375,000.00 in exchange for the collection, analysis and dissemination of data specific to children ages 0-5 and their families, effective November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2007.

Supervisor Molina made the following statement:

"Los Angeles County invested multi-millions of dollars in 1997, 1999, and 2002 for the Los Angeles County Health Survey. Today, we are asked to approve another multi-million dollar contract for the 2004 Health Survey.

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“It is reassuring that we are not spending County General Fund dollars to conduct the survey and it is admirable that organizations that utilize the collected data are willing to underwrite the survey.

“The survey collects population-based data that indicates the health status of County residents. However, I have never been reassured that the data collected are directly linked to better health outcomes for County residents.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

1. Approved the Director of Health Services' attached recommendations; and
2. Instructed the Director of Health Services to report back to the Board within four weeks with the following:
 - A detailed examination of the recommendations of the 1997, 1999, and 2002 Los Angeles County Health Surveys;
 - An analysis of how many recommendations have been effectively implemented in succeeding years; and
 - What policy implications have flowed from the recommendations.

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Attachment

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